1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
29.	Daman & Diu	0.01	1.35	0.05	7.52	0.06	4.44
30.	Delhi	0.07	0.40	11.42	9.42	11.49	8.23
31.	Lakshadweep	0.03	9.38	0.08	20.27	0.11	15.60
32.	Pondicherry	0.64	20.55	1.77	22.11	2.41	21.67
	All India	1932.43	27.09	670.07	23.62	2602.50	26.10

Notes:

1. Poverty Ratio of Assam is used for Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura.
2. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Goa is used to estimate poverty ratio of Goa.
3. Poverty Line of Himachal Pradesh and expenditure distribution of Jammu & Kashmir is used to estimate poverty ratio of Jammu & Kashmir.
4. Poverty Ratio of Tamil Nadu is used for Pondicherry and A & N Island.
5. Urban Poverty Ratio of Punjab used for both rural and urban poverty of Chandigarh.
6. Poverty Line of Maharashtra and expenditure distribution of Dadra & Nagar Haveli is used to estimate poverty ratio of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
7. Poverty Ratio of Goa is used for Daman & Diu.
8. Poverty Ratio of Kerala is used for Lakshadweep.
9. Urban Poverty Ratio of Rajasthan may be treated as tentative.

Construction of N.E. Regional Institute for Parliamentary Studies, Training and Research

1339. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a proposal for "Construction of North East Regional Institute for Parliamentary Studies, Training and Research" has been received from the Government of Assam; and

(b) if so, the status of implementation of the same indicating date of sanction, amount sanctioned and utilised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal was examined on various occasions and also placed before the Committee (constituted to administer the Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources). As the proposal did not' fall

under the broad objectives of the Central Pool, it was not found feasible to support it from the Pool.

The proposal envisages partial funding from the contribution(s) to be made by members of Parliament of the North Eastern Region from the funds available under Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS). The existing guidelines on MPLADS do not permit the same. The proposal has, therefore, been submitted to the Committees on MPLADS of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha for consideration.

Exclusion of Kutch from Border Development Scheme

†1340. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Kutch District of Gujarat, which is situated on the Indo-Pak border area, has been excluded from the Border Area Development Programme;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to include this district under the Border Area Development Programme; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Border Area Development Programme covers all border blocks in the country which have an international land border only. Bhuj, Lakhpat, Mandvi, Abdasa, Bhachau and Rapar blocks of Kutch district are covered under Border Area Development Programme, since they have an international *land* border. Blocks of Kutch district which have only a sea border are not covered under the Border Area Development Programme.

(b) and (c) No steps are being taken to include other blocks of Kutch district under the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) since they do not fall within the parameters

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.